

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-3413

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES TO PROVIDE LOCAL PREFERENCE TO MIAMI BEACH-BASED VENDORS IN THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR GOODS AND GENERAL SERVICES, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH ENTITLED, "ADMINISTRATION," BY AMENDING ARTICLE VI THEREOF ENTITLED, "PROCUREMENT," BY AMENDING DIVISION 3 ENTITLED, "CONTRACT PROCEDURES," BY CREATING SECTION 2-372; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 287.084, Florida Statutes, entitled *Preference to Florida businesses*, municipalities may award a preference to the lowest responsible bidder having a principal place of business within this state; and

WHEREAS, a local preference to Miami Beach-based vendors will recycle public funds back into the local economy; and

WHEREAS, Miami Beach-based vendors, as taxpayers, have given to the community by providing economic development and creating employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, a local preference to Miami Beach-based vendors would help the local economy by providing an infusion of capital into locally-based businesses, thus providing greater relief to the City's businesses and the resident workforce; and

WHEREAS, a local preference ordinance will not result in the City paying more for goods and services, since it provides Miami Beach-based vendors with the opportunity of providing the goods and services at the same cost as the lowest bid received; and

WHEREAS, the basic tenet of public procurement of ensuring maximum competition will remain intact by requiring competitive bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA as follows:

SECTION 1: That Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 3 of the Miami Beach City Code is hereby amended creating a new section 2-372 as follows:

ARTICLE VI. PROCUREMENT

DIVISION 3. CONTRACT PROCEDURES

Sec. 2-372. Procedure to provide preference to Miami Beach-based vendors in contracts for goods and general services.

(1) Definitions. For purposes of this section only, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) Bid shall mean a competitive bid procedure established through the issuance of an invitation to bid. The term "bid," as used herein, shall not include requests for proposals, requests for qualifications, requests for letters of interest, or the solicitation of purchase orders based on oral or written quotations.
- (b) General services means support services performed by an independent contractor requiring specialized knowledge, experience, or expertise that includes, but is not limited to, pest control, janitorial, laundry, catering, security, lawn maintenance and maintenance of equipment, framing, and film development.
- (c) Goods includes, but is not limited to, supplies, equipment, materials and printed matter.
- (d) Miami Beach-based vendor means a bidder that has a valid occupational license issued by the City of Miami Beach, which authorizes said vendor to provide the subject goods and/or services, and has its headquarters in the City, or has a place of business located in the City at which it will produce the goods or perform the services to be purchased. The City Manager shall administratively resolve any issues relating to a vendor's status as a Miami Beach-based vendor, and his decision on whether a vendor is a Miami Beach-based vendor shall be final.

(2) Exemptions.

- (a) The provisions of this section, shall not apply, and no local preference shall be accorded hereunder, to bids or proposal procedures for professional services, which are defined, for purposes of this section, as any services where the City is obtaining advice, instruction, or specialized work from an individual, firm, or corporation specifically qualified in a particular area, and also those services procured pursuant to Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

- (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply, and no local preference shall be accorded hereunder, to bids and/or the solicitation or proposed award of a purchase order based on an oral or written quotation for the purchase of, or contract for, the construction/renovation of public buildings, facilities, public works, or other public capital construction projects.

(3) Preference in purchase of goods or general services. Except where federal or state law mandates to the contrary, in the purchase of goods or general services by means of a competitive bid, a preference will be given to a responsive and responsible Miami Beach-based vendor, who is within 5% of the lowest and best bidder, an opportunity of providing said goods or general services for the lowest responsive bid amount.

(4) Whenever, as a result of the foregoing preference, the adjusted prices of two (2) or more Miami Beach-based vendors constitute the lowest bid for a competitively bid purchase, and such bids are responsive and otherwise equal with respect to quality and service, then the award shall be made to the Miami Beach-based vendor having the greatest number of its employees that are Miami Beach residents.

(5) Whenever, two (2) or more Miami Beach-based vendors have the same number of its employees that are Miami Beach residents, then the award shall be made to the Miami Beach-based vendor who is certified by Miami-Dade County as a Minority or Women Business Enterprise.

(6) Comparison of qualifications. The preferences established herein in no way prohibit the right of the City Manager and/or the Mayor and City Commission, as applicable, to compare quality of materials proposed for purchase and compare qualifications, character, responsibility and fitness of all person, firms or corporations submitting bids. Further, the preferences established herein in no way prohibit the right of the City Manager and/or the Mayor and City Commission, as applicable, from giving any other preference permitted by law instead of the preferences granted herein.

SECTION 2. CODIFICATION.

It is the intention of the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of the City of Miami Beach, Florida. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate word.

SECTION 3. REPEALER.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.


SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

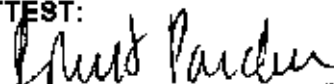
This Ordinance shall take effect on the 21st day of June, 2003, which is 10 days after adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 11th day of June, 2003.



Vice-Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

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Letters or numbers that are underlined are additions to existing ordinance.

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FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION**



City Attorney

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